

# Worksession

<b>Agenda Item #</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Meeting Date</b>	July 26, 2004
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<b>Discussion Item</b>	Update on Carroll Avenue Streetscape Project – Laurel Avenue section
<b>Background</b>	<p>This project last came before the Council on July 6, 2004 when HCD staff provided an update on the Carroll Avenue streetscape enhancement project. An update on the Laurel Avenue component of the project was provided to the Council March 15<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Design for the Laurel Avenue section of the project has been on hold while the City awaited SHA’s decisions on requested design exceptions along Carroll Avenue. With the state’s issuance of its decision, the consultant has been able to continue its earlier work and is now proceeding with the design and engineering of the Laurel Avenue section of the project.</p> <p>Despite this delay, staff has continued work on the project, seeking community input on the type of bollards that should be installed along the edge of the median as well as on the species of street trees that will be placed along the roadway. This information, in addition to the sidewalk, median, and streetscape amenities proposed for Laurel Avenue, will be presented to the Council.</p> <p>Upon authorization of the project and completion of required construction plans, bids will be solicited by staff. Construction of the Laurel Avenue section of the project is tentatively scheduled for this fall.</p>
<b>Policy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance pedestrian and bicycle access to shops, transit, schools, and other community facilities by improving pedestrian safety and providing wide, tree-lined sidewalks throughout the area.</li> <li>• Support strengthening the streetscape from Takoma Junction to Old Town.</li> <li>• Improved pedestrian connections and image from the Junction to Old Town to the Takoma Metro in the District of Columbia.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Takoma Park Master Plan</i></p>
<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	A total of \$275,000 is available for this section of the project and is to be entirely paid for by State and County grant funds.
<b>Attachments</b>	Information distributed to community regarding trees and bollard choices.
<b>Recommendation</b>	Review and approve Laurel Avenue design.
<b>Special Consideration</b>	

**Remove existing bollards (with the exception of Roscoe the Rooster's bollard). Remove curbing and pave at street level. Install new cast iron bollards to define median.**

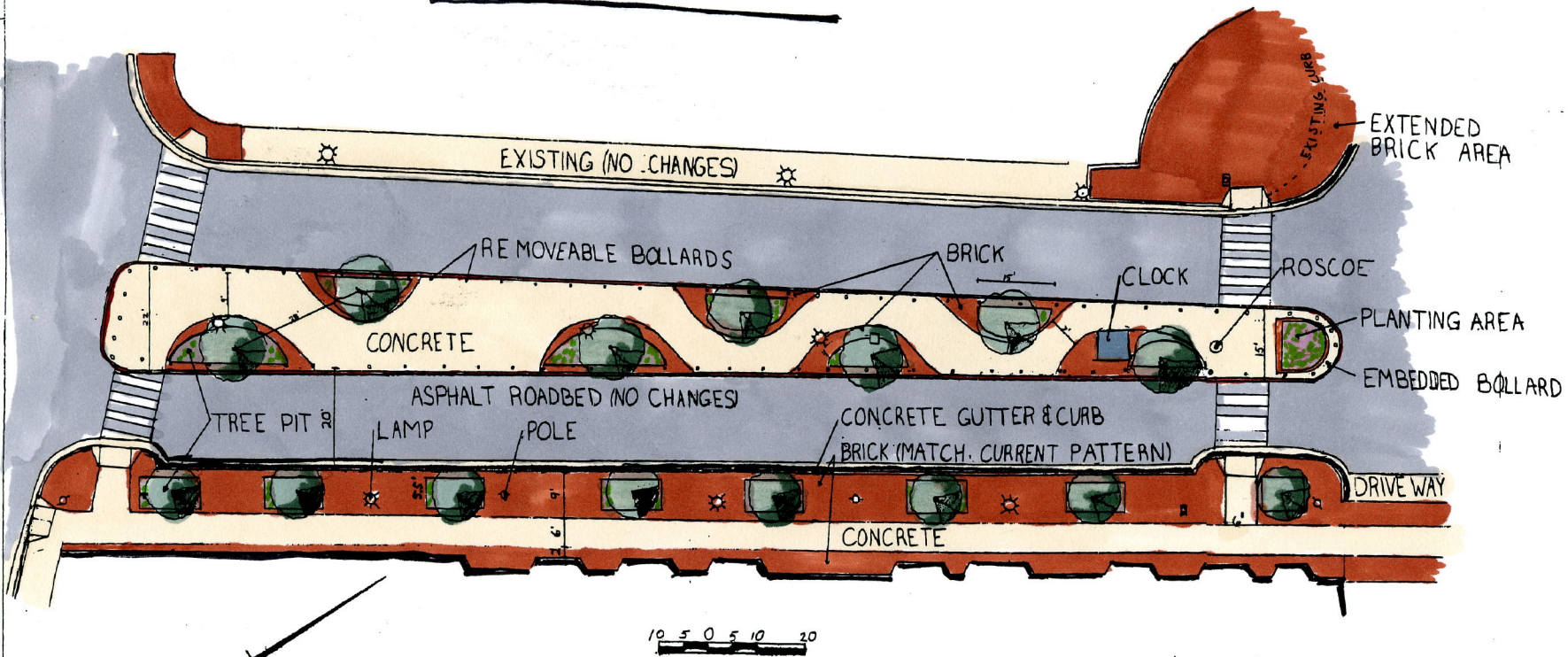


Existing Bollard



Proposed Bollard (32")

LAUREL AVENUE STREETSCAPE  
SITE PLAN  
DATE: JULY 7, 2004





Laurel Avenue Cross Section Illustration